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February 8, 1995

Mr. Ed. R. Stephenson Virgin International Minerals 1313 Briarcrest Drive Bryan, Texas 77802

Re:

Abbott No. 5 - DOGM S/053/044

BLM No. UTU-73365

Dear Mr. Stephenson:

On February 6, 1995, we had written you a letter requesting additional information concerning operation of the Abbott No. 5 mine. Since that time, we have reviewed a letter from Mr. Larry Gore of the Bureau of Land Management dated January 6, 1995, addressing your operation.

As we now understand, you have agreed to haul the tailings back to the mine site and use them as back fill in the excavated area. Several inches of soil will be stripped from the site and stock piled for use in reclaiming the site. As a result, no additional information for our review will be needed.

If we can be of further assistance, please contact me or Mr. Lyle Stott of my staff.

Sincerely,

Kiran L. Bhayani, P.E., D.EE., Manager Design Evaluation Section

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cc:

Larry Gore - Bureau of Land Management
Wayne Hedberg - Division of Oil, Gas and Mining

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